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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
PHILLIPPE GRAPPIN, ET AL. : ATTN: BOX SEQUENCE
SERIAL NO: 10/580,712 :
FILED: DECEMBER 19, 2006 :
FOR: USE OF L-ISOASPARTYL :
METHYLTRANSFERASE AS :
LONGEVITY MARKER IN SEEDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Communication of December 21, 2006, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.